

The samekill as the contempt of the Kingis Maiestieis authoritie, of the Lawis and ordinar Justice of this Realme is the ground and fontane, fra quhilk all confusoun proceedis. And amangis vtheris euillis, the disobedience of the proces of horning, with the deforsing of ordinar Officiaris in thair executionis, is sa greit and commoun, that the personis deforsairis and denuncit Rebels, takis na feir thair of. And the parteis hurt and interest, that hes obtenit Decretis and letteris, with thair Infinite expensis and coist, can get na execution nor redres. And howbeit he ane act and ordinance maid be the Lordis of Sessoun, it was prouydit, that all Officiaris immediately efter thair denunciation of ony personis to the horne, suld pas to the Schiref of the Schyre quhair thay dwell, and Intimat to him the same, requyng him in our Souerane Lordis Name & Authoritie, to mak ane Just Inuentar of all thair gudis, to the effect, that the same mycht be Imbrocht to his hienes vse for thair contemptioun: and that the saidis Officiaris suld deliuer to the said Schiref ane autentik copy of the saidis letteris, with thair executionis of the same, subseriuit with thair hand, and within aucht dayis thairefter, suld pas to the Thesaurar or his Clerkis, and deliuer to thame ane vther autentik copy of the saidis letteris, with thair executionis of the same, in lyke maner subseriuit with the saidis Officiaris handis, to the effect foirsaid, conforme to the said act and ordinance: Neuertheles the same hes bene neglectit for the maist part, and nawayis followit be the saidis Officiaris, swa that the Impunitie of sic haynous attemptatis and oppin Rebellion, hes brocht our Souerane Lordis authoritie in contempt, and maid the multitude of Rebels sa greit, as it salbe difficil to knaw thame fra the Kingis obedient subiectis, without sum haistie remeid be prouydit, notwithstanding that be the foirsaid ordinance of the Lordis of Sessoun and mony vtheris louabill Lawis and actis of Parliament establischt be our Souerane Lord, and his maist Nobill Progenitouris, sufficient ordour be takin for auoyding of the said confusoun: zit the neglect of execution thair of, hes byed the present Inconuenient. Quhill now my Lord Regentis grace, for the vniuersall weill of the Kingis Maiestieis subiectis, presentlie Intendis, as God will grant opportunitie to remeid. And thairfor his grace, with auise of the Lordis of Secret Counsaill, ordanis the Justice Clerk and his Deputis, to mak ane Roll & ane extract of all personis denuncit, and presently remaning Rebels and at the horne, aganis quhome letteris ar repozit, dewly execute and Indorsat, or vpon Domes pronuncit, for causis criminall, sen the Coronatioun of our Souerane Lord, and during sic space of befoir, as my said Lord Regentis grace sall command.

And siclyke ordanis the Clerk of Register and his Deputis, to mak ane Roll of all personis Rebels gzuin in at the Chekker comptis the zeiris bypast: or ellis to deliuer the letteris thairupon with the executionis to his grace. And in lyke maner ordanis the Thesaurar and his Register, to mak ane Roll of all eschetis disponit, and of all Respects or Remissionis grantit, during the tyme foirsaid, and to deliuer the saidis Rollis to his grace within ye space of aucht dayis efter the publicatioun heirof. And rychtswa ordanis letteris to be direct, chargeing all and syndrie personis quhillis hes ony letteris of horning alreddy execute, aganis quhatsumeuir parteis for ony ciuile cause, or for not synding of Lawborowis, that thay present the copy of the letteris of horning, with the doubill of the executionis thair of in autentik forme to the Thesaurar or his Clerk, within the space of ane Moneth efter the publicatioun of this present act at the mercat Croce of the heid Burgh of the Schyre quhair thay dwell, to the effect that the Names of the haill personis Rebels within this Realme may be knawin, and ane Roll maid thairupon be Imprinted. And the doubill thair of affixit in my Lord Regentis graces Ludgeing, quhair euir his grace happinnis to be for the tyme, on the mercat Croce of Edinburgh, and als vpon all mercat Croces and Colbuth Duris within this Realme: Sa that nane of the personis Rebels contenit in the said Roll (in cais thay be outhir Juges, memberis of Court, or publick Officiaris) haue place to sit in Jugement, to minister Justice, or to beir or exerce publick office, nor zit that ony vtheris personis contenit in the said Roll of Rebels, haue place to stand in Jugement to persew thair actionis criminalle or ciuile, quhill first thay haue obtenit thame selfis ordourly relaxit fra the proces of horning, schaw thair Relaxatioun to the Juge, and requyre him to deleit thair Name furth of the said Roll, with certificatioun: to the haueris of the saidis letteris of horning swa execute befoir the dait heirof, that gif thay failze in presenteng the same within the space of ane Moneth efter the publicatioun of this present act: in that cais ye saidis letteris producit thairefter, salbe boyd and mak na puse, or haue ony execution for the rycht of the partie, bot he salbe haldin to rais new letteris, and to cause mak new executionis thairupon, as gif the formar letteris had neuer bene raisit nor execute, without preiudice alwayis of the Kingis rycht and action to the escheit, or vtherwise of the partie denuncit, be vertew of the horning execute at command of the first letteris. And the personis abstracteris and conceallaris of the saidis letteris of horning ouer and bezond the said Moneth, efter the publicatioun of thir presentis. And in all tymes cumming, efter the denunciation of the personis Rebels, to be repute culpabill of sauouring and mantening of the Kingis Rebels, and defrauderis of his hienes proffit and commoditie dew to his Maiestie, bethe said horning, and to be persewit and accusit thairfor at Justiceiris, particular dyettis, or vtherways as it sall pleis the Thesaurar and Aduocattis to persew, according to the Lawis of this Realme, a generall bandis maid to ye Kingis Maiestie and his Predecessouris anent sic cais. And in cais ony of the saidis Rebels, happin to repair in my Lord Regentis grace hous, in the Colbuth of Edinburgh, or in ony vther publick place of Justice, or frequent to Kirk or mercat amangis our Souerane Lordis fre liegis: That than the Schiref, or Bailie of Burrowis, and Lordis of Burrowis, or all othir Realme, and all vtheris quhome it sall pleis my Lord Regentis grace to charge and gif commissioun to for that effect, tak and apprehend the saidis personis Rebels, and put and hald thame in ward, quhill Justice be execute vpon yame, gif thay be at the horne for a criminall cause, or gif thay be denuncit for a ciuile cause, quhill thay haue obtenit thame selfis Relaxit fra the proces of horning led vpon thame: as the saidis Stewartis, Schiref, Juges, Juries, Juries, and Bailie of Burrowis, Lordis of Regaliteis, and vtheris Officiaris will answere vpon thair charge and verrell. Quhairin gif thay failze, thay salbe callit, accusit, persewit, and punisht thairfor, conforme to the tennour of the actis of Parliament, and generall bandis maid to the Kingis Maiestie and his Progenitouris anent sic cais. And farther, quhen euir ony partie presentis letteris of horning to the Thesaurar or his Clerkis: thay sall with diligence rais letteris, and direct the same to the Schiref of the Schyre or his Deputis, or ellis to sum discret and trew Officiar of Armes at the discretioun of the Thesaurar or his Clerkis: Commanding thame to serche, seik, Intromet, and vptak the escheit gudis and geir of the Rebels. And in cais the personis Rebell be at the horne for speciall soumes of money and debt, the Thesaurar at his discretioun sall lat the partie complenar haue payment of the haill or part of his debt, as the quantiris of the escheit gudis may beir, of the first and redddest thair of: Prouyding that the partie complenar mak the expensis of the Officiar, that salbe direct for vptaking of the said escheit gudis, quhill the escheit it self may mak the expensis, and than the haill expensis to be takin of the escheit. And in cais the Officiar direct for vptaking of the said escheit, beis violently deforsit and stoppit in the execution of his office. Than vpon the complaint of the said Officiar, or of the Schiref or the Schyre and his Deputis, or failzeing (that the Schiref will not or may not) sum Nobill man Barroun or gentleman of gude power within the Schyresdome, best affectit to the furthering of our Souerane Lordis authoritie and seruice. Chargeing thame to conuocat our Souerane Lordis liegis in weirlie maner, And to pas and concure with the said Officiar, that befoir was deforsit and stoppit, and se the command of the letteris execute reallie and with effect, befoir thay depart of the ground quhair the escheit gudis remanis, in the quhill execution thay sall haue all priuilegis, fredomes, and Immunitis, that ar grantit be the Lawis of this Realme, to sic as persewis the Kingis Rebels, to bring thame to the Lawis. And ordanis letteris to be direct for publicatioun heirof at all mercat Croces, and vtheris places neidfull as effectis.

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